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SUBJECT: SOUTHERN AFRICA: KAUNDA SPEECH TO OAU SUMMIT

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SUMMARY: IN JULY 4 SUMMIT SPEECH, ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KAUNDA DEALT LARGELY WITH SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES. HE CALLED FOR INCREASED SUPPORT OF PATRIOTIC FRON IN ZIMBABWE, BACKED SWAPO POSITION ON NAMIBIA, URGED GREATER ASSISTANCE TO FORNTLINE STATES, AND ADVOCATED CONTINUATION OF ARMED LIBERATION STRUGGLE. KAUNDA ALSO SUPPORTED NIGERIAN PROPOSALTO WIDEN OAU SYG'S POWERS IN DEALING WITH INTRA-AFRICAN CONFLICTS AND CALLED FOR LIBERATION OF REUNION AND CANARIES. END SUMMARY.

1. IN JULY 4 SPEECH BEFORE OAU SUMMIT, ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KAUNDA STATED THAT DECISIVIE STAGE HAS BEEN REACHED IN SOUTHERN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AFICAN LIBERATION STRUGGLE. WHITE MINORITY REGIMES, HE SAID, SUPPORTED BY POWERFUL FORCES ON INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM, ARE ATTEMPTING TO SOW DICORD AMONG AFRICAN STATES TO DISTRACT THEM FROM LIBERATION STRUGGLE. ALL ATTMEPTS AT PEACEFUL SOLUTION IN ZIMBABWE, FOR EXAMPLE, HAD FLOUNDERED ON SMITH'S INTRANSIGENCE. THUS, WHILE ZAMBIA HAD NO ROMANTIC VIEWS ON ARMED STRUGGLE, NO OTHER

## ALTERNATIVE EXISTED.

- 2. KAUNDA REMAINED CONFERENCE OF APRIL 1975 DAR ES SALAAM DECISION TO SUPPORT FIGHTING CADRES, DECISION WHICH GAVE BIRTH TO ZIPA AS COMBINATION OF ZNAU AND ZAPU FIGHTING FORCES. HE SAID THAT PATRIOTIC FRONT WAS IN FACT NO MORE THAN POLITICAL ARM OF ZIPA, AND IT WAS OAU'S DUTY TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE FIGHTING. FRONTLINE STATES DID NOT WISH TO CHOOSE LEADERS FOR ZIMBABWE, BUT OAU SHOULD DO OR SAY NOTHING WHICH WOULD SLOW LIBERATION WAR. KAUNDA DISCOUNTED FEARS OF ANOTHER ANGOLA, ARGUING THAT COMPARISON BETWEEN ZIMBABWE AND MOZAMBIQUE STRUGGLES WOULD BE MORE ACCURATE. WHILE IT APPROPRIATE TO HAVE MORE THAN ONE PARTY IN ZIMBABWE, IT WOULD BE SUICIDALTO HAVE MORE THAN ONE ARMY. EFFORTS OF FRONTLINE STATES, THEREFORE, GENUINELY DESIGNED TO CARRY OUT OAU INSTRUUCTIONS AND PROSECUTE LIBERATION WAR.
- 3. KAUNDA THEN CALLED SPECIFICALLY FOR: (A) INCREASE IN CONCRETE TERMS IN MILITARY AND OTHER SUPPORT FOR PATIROTIC FRONT: (B) INCREASED ASSISTNCE TO FRONT LINE STATES: (C) CONDEMNATION OF OIL COMPANIES SUPPLYING OIL TO RHODESIA: AND (D) ACTION WHICH WOULD FORCE OIL COMPANIES TO CHOOSE BETWEEN DOING BUSINESS WITH RHODESIA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA AND OPERATING IN INDEPENDENT AFRICA.

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4. ON NAMIBIA, KAUNDA SUPPORTED SWAPO POSITION BY CALLING FOR (A) END TO ILLEGAL SOUTH AFRICAN OCCUPATION: (B) WITHDRAWAL OF SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE: AND (C) RELEASE BY SOUTH AFRICA OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS. ANY ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE QUESTION, HE SAID, HAD TO BE WITHIN CONFINES OF PERTINENT UN RESOLUTIONS AND HAVE FULL BACKING OF SWAPO AND UN SECGEN.

FINALLY, KAUNDA CALLED ON SOUTH AFRICA TO NEGOTIATE DIRECTLY WITH SWAPO TO DETERMINE MODALITEIS OF TRANSFERRING POWER.

- 5. ON SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF, KAUNDA STATED REGIME MUST ADDRESS ITSELF TO REMOVING CONDITIONS WHICH HAD LED TO CONFLCT AND INTERNALUPRISINGS. PERMANENT SOLUTION WAS STRUCTURAL IN NATURE AND COULD ONLY BE FOUND IN COMPLTE DISMANTLING OF APARTHEID SYSTEM.
- 6. AFTER WELCOMING ACCESSION TO INDEPENDENCE OF DJIBOUTI, KAUNDA STATED HE HOPED DJIBOUTI'S INDEPENDENCE WOULD "SOON BE FOLLOWED BY SIMILAR VICTORIES IN REUNION AND CANARY ISLANDS".

- 7. KAUNDA STATED THAT ZAMBIA STRONGLY SUPPORTED WHAT OTHER DELEGATIONS HAVE SAID IN TERMS OF STRENGHTENING OAU MECHANISMS FOR SETTLING INTER-AFRICAN DISPUTES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT NIGERIAN PROPOSAL.
- 8. COMMENT: KAUNDA MADE NO REFERENCE TO EITHER MUZOREWA OR SITHOLE, NOR DID HE CALL DIRECTLY FOR SOLE RECOGNITION OF PATRIOTIC FRONT. QUESTION OF RELEASE OF NAMIBIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS OUTSIDE SOUTH AFRICA ALSO ABSENT FROM HIS TEXT. STEIGMAN

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